

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicants	:	Jerry G. Hodsdon, et al.		
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January 14, 2009

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commission for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Non-Final Office Action (the "Office Action") mailed July 15, 2008. Enclosed is a petition for a three-month extension of time, so the period for response runs to and includes, January 15, 2009. Also enclosed is a copy of an Information Disclosure Statement filed on 07/15/08 which crossed with the office action also dated 07/15/08. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** being on page 9 of this paper.